



Texas Department of Insurance

Division of Workers' Compensation

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Memorandum

To: Designated Doctors

From: Designated Doctor Outreach & Oversight

Date: March 14, 2013

Subject: Basics Course for Designated Doctors in Weslaco

Hosted by: Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation

Who Should Attend

- Doctors considering attending or preparing to attend required designated doctor training.
- Current designated doctors wanting to refresh their basic knowledge and skills.

Course Description

This basics course focuses **on preparing to become a designated doctor** by discussing the tools and publications necessary for conducting and reporting a designated doctor examination.

Topics include:

- Overview – Designated doctor role, dispute resolution, rules;
- Maximum Medical Improvement (MMI) and Impairment Rating (IR);
- MMI/IR – Spine, lower and upper extremities; and
- Work sample cases.

Attendees should bring: *The American Medical Association Guide to Evaluation of Permanent Impairment* (AMA Guides, hardcopy publication)

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2013

Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Conference Center at Knapp Medical Center, 1401 East 8th in Weslaco

Cost: Free

Course Credit: Seven hours of continuing education credits provided for completion of the course.

Registration

- Registration is required.

- Register online at https://wwwapps.tdi.state.tx.us/inter/perlroot/sasweb9/cgi-bin/broker.exe?_service=wcExt&_program=progExt.medreg.sas.

Having problems with the online registration tool?

Contact Janice Pousson at (512) 804-4685.

Have questions regarding course content?

Contact Chuck Whitacre at (512) 804-4689 or Chuck.Whitacre@tdi.texas.gov

This course does not fulfill any requirements for training or testing required for certification or recertification as a designated doctor.